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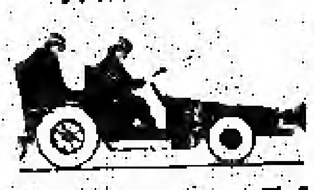
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weekly whirligig

Clean Up, Paint Up . . . . It may be odd, but it's true that the average Japanese family will take great pains to pretty up the inside of the home—install the latest in luxuries, especially radios—but let the wind and rain and the garbage man look after the exterior. It's high time, as a community, that we began to pay a little more attention to such campaigns to "brighten up the home front" as the Junior Board of Trade is sponsoring this week.

The casual passer-by will see many signs suggestive of slum conditions in the Japanese community. Houses unpainted, drab, weather-beaten, in sad need of repair; fences astray and broken; walks worn through; yards littered with refuse; garbage cans on the front door step. Many families will complain that they can't afford to do anything about it, and yet these same families will be able to shell out several hundred dollars just to eat, drink and sing songs when a wedding comes along. Or to purchase $150 cameras to take snapshots.

We would do well to absorb a little of the Canadian sense of values, put a little economy into the right places, and a little spending into those where it would do a world of good. From personal experience I know that real estate men would look at the Japanese with a somewhat less jaundiced eye if we did.

Most Interesting Visitor . . . **of the week is Mrs. John MacDonald, recent arrival from a five-year stay in Nippon. Scottish-born, she went to China ten years ago, thence to Yokohama, and has now taken up residence in Vancouver, as that place on the globe next best to Scotland and Nippon. Our street intrigues her; our Japanese physiognomy makes her feel more at home. All being well, she'll study "Nihongo" and go back to Japan as soon as possible.**

War Boom . . . Despite evidence of unemployment still existing, there is no doubt that the country is enjoying a war boom of unforeseen proportions, and the national income continues to rise toward an all-time high.

Although as a community we are not benefitting by direct participation in that boom, indirectly too, our income should rise. More important, however, than seeking such direct benefits, is the question of strengthening our economic foundations, because they are sure to be violently rocked in the post-war reconstruction. For years we have talked in vague terms of vocational research as a means to progress. It's time to change it from an academic question to a serious business as some insurance against a questionable economic future.

Cuff Notes . . . . Imagine a deepening of pigmentation at a "Nisei" social the other night, and we could have been in the middle of **Harlem** . . . that nineteenth century **abnormality, a misfitted** Englishman, is still with us to judge from a letter in last Wednesday's Province . . . one word sums up Nisei news today—**"baseball"** . . . people I envy—college boys **cramming** for final exams . . . its a **grand day** . . .

On The Newsfront

Registration Approaching The Half-way Mark

VANCOUVER.—With serial numbers now reaching into the 6000's, it was estimated that after two months of work, the special registration of all Japanese in British Columbia was approaching the half-way mark.

Registration has now been completed in North Vancouver, and West Vancouver is expected to be covered Saturday, when officers will register the public at the Great Northern Cannery.

J.A.C.L. Looks Back on Twelve Years of History

SAN FRANCISCO.—Twelve years ago this month, prominent Nisei leaders gathered in San Francisco to plan the framework of the National Japanese American Citizens League. The Pacific Citizen, National J. A. C. L. organ, commemorates the anniversary in its April issue.

Buddhist Women Seek to Aid Canadian Soldiers

VANCOUVER.—A conference of delegates from Buddhist women's organizations last week discussed and approved a plan to send comfort bags to Canadian soldiers serving overseas. It was indicated that as soon as the way such kits could be delivered is learned, the Canada Buddhist Fujin-kai Federation would begin to collect them.

Pact Upholds Peace Policy Says Foreign Minister

TOKYO.—Asserting that Japan's "policy of peace" has been demonstrated with the successive conclusion of the tri-partite and Soviet-Japanese pact, as well as Japan's role as mediator in the French-Thai dispute, Foreign Minister Matsuoka this week told the Japanese press that he expected a favourable reaction from the United States for Japan's political course.

Second National Convention

Canuck Busseis Active At U.S. Meet

VANCOUVER.—A strong delegation from British Columbia is taking an active part in the second annual national convention of the Youg Buddhist Federation of North America, being held in Seattle this week, from April 24 to 27.

Beginning with the oshoko by Eileen Shintani of the Hompa Y.W.B.A., Friday, and the presentation of the local Bussei League flag by Frank Yamamoto, local delegates will be much in prominence throughout the convention.

A speak on the panel discussion, "The Nisei's Working World", which discusses the economic and vocational problems facing American and Canadian-born Japanese, is Tatsuo Kagawa, youthful delegate from the Hompa Y. M. B. A.

Kimi Nakamura of the Fairview Y.W.B.A., will speak for the Canadian group at the official banquet, and Kazuo Ohashi, Bussei League oratorical champion, will participate in the Japanese Oratorical contest.

On Sunday, at the Sunday School service, Fred Nishizaki, Kitsilano delegate, and head of the Buddhist Sunday School Teachers Federation, will tell the story.

Other delegates to the convention include Toshie Inamoto, Yae Hamekawa, Kimi Nishimura and Kazu Tanizawa from the Fairview Y.W.B.A.; Eddie Yoshida and Chuck Terada, Kitsilano Y.M.B.A.; Kay Kaminishi and Kiyoshi Suga, Hompa Y.M.B.A., and Shima Ozawa and Miori Miyake, Hompa Y. W. B. A.

Mayor Earl Milliken, of Seattle, will extend official greetings to the estimated 600 delegates, and Councilwoman Mrs. F. F. Powell will be the guest of honour at the dinner dance on Saturday. For this dance a novel idea of hosts and hostesses has been introduced.

A distinguished guest is Bishop R. Matsukaga, head of the Buddhist Mission of North America.

Frost Hits Farmers; Fishmen Watch Deal

NEW WESTMINSTER — While farmers in the Valley looked with dsimay over fields of strawberries damaged by frosts, fishmen are equally concerned over the rumoured deal that the Federal Government would take over theentire B. C. salmon pack this yar.

The Deputy Minister of Fisheries, Dr. D. B. Finn, is at present visiting the coast, holding conferences with salmon packers, fishermen and vessel owners, as well as with government officials.

It is not likely, however, that prices this year will be higher than last year, eventhough they may be set by government order.

Frost damage in the Haney district will run as high as 20 per cent, Y. Yamaga, manager of the Maple Ridge Co-operative Exchange, said yesterday. In the Pitt Meadows district some plots of early berries will be almost a total loss.

Greenhouse owners also reported some frost damage to bedding plants.

Patriotic Film Will Show Contribution of Japanese

VANCOUVER.—If present arrangements are fulfilled, the whole of Canada will have the opportunity of seeing something of British Columbia's so-called Japanese problem on the silver screen, and at the same time see how Japanese Canadians are contributing to the war.

A Vancouver film company is producing a short feature on British Columbia as a part of the Government-sponsored "Canada Carries On", and present plans call for a number of shots of Japanese Canadians at work.

Principal industries in which the Japanese contribute to production, including lumbering, fishing and agriculture, are expected to be filmed, as well as commercial activity in the city.

The film "Canada Carries On" is shown in all leading Canadian theatres, and present various phases of how the Canadian people are carrying on with the war.

It is also hoped to film a few shots of the second generation.

War Services Drive Reaches Objective

VANCOUVER—With final returns tabulated and awaiting the auditors, it was indicated today that Vancouver's Japanese community had come within a few dollars of reaching its objective of 33 per cent in excess of its quota in the Canadian War Services Fund Drive.

Although Vancouver as a whole still lacked $30,000 of its quota, the Canadian Japanese Association was able to report that their gesture in donating a sum $500 in excess of the quota for the Japanese division at the beginning of the campaign, had been backed up by the community at large.

Officials expressed their sincere appreciation for the manner in which the public had rallied to their support to avoid any loss to the community organization as a result of its patriotic gesture.

Pr. Rupert Groups Aiding War Effort

Give To War Services: Form Red Cross Unit

PRINCE RUPERT—The total subscriptions to war savings certificates assumed by Japanese Canadians in the city and adjacent districts has now reached the substantial amount of $11,346.

The Japanese community here also raised a total of $381 for the War Services Fund, thus boosting Prince Rupert in its drive to surpass the quota of $5000. Latest reports indicate that this district raised $8300 for the War Services for Canadian soldiers.

Nisei Form Red Cross

Forming a Red Cross unit under the name, Prince Rupert Nisei Branch, the local girls are now doing their part in helping the Red Cross. Officers elected at the organizational meeting were: Hideko Yamashita, president; Mariko Kadowaki, vice-president; Sumi Hayashi, secretary; Ayako Yamashita, treasurer; and Yoshiko Nagasuye, working convenor.

Export Permit Regulations Clarified

OTTAWA.—An export permit branch is to be established in the Department of Trade and Commerce to centralize control of the issuance of export permits, it was announced by the Government this week. The branch will be established May 5.

A consolidated and revised list of export permit regulations which would bring some order into the confused mass of regulations now existing will be issued under the authority of the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Hon. J. A. MacKinnon.

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VANCOUVER. — In the meantime ,a temporary clarification of regulations has been made at the customs office in Vancouver.

Anyone wishing to send goods up to the value of $5 to any foreign country, including Japan, via parcel post, must make application on prescribed forms to local customs branches.

For goods from $5 up to $25, a similar application must be made in quintuplicate direct to Ottawa, but no fee is charged, it is understood, for the required permit.

For goods in excess of $25, application must be made in the same way, but a fee of $2 is levied for the required export permit.

These same regulations will apply, of course, in the case of travellers wishing to take any goods out of the country other than immediate personal effects.

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Those Comfort Kits

APART from a number of very shrewd business men, critics are inclined to agree that the majority of first generation Japanese are sadly lacking in their ability to understand the Canadian point of view. Differences in training and heritage have unfortunately left the average Issei quite unable to grasp Canadian psychology. And viewed from the standpoint of a Canadian, the attitude of many of the first generation, though undoubtedly sincere and well-intentioned, is incredibly naive and unrealistic.

The recent decision of certain Buddhist groups in the city to send comfort kits to Canadian soldiers overseas is an apt case in point. We do not think it necessary to repeat in detail what has already been written in these columns on that subject. But we do emphasize that we believe such a plan to be an unnecessary duplication of war services already functioning under well-organized agencies. All six organizations financed by the recent War Services Drive have existing facilities to minister to the comfort of Canadian troops stationed in Great Britain, the only country where Canadians are serving overseas. There should be little need for any small group in the city adopting an independent scheme, which in the final and realistic analysis, amount to little more than a grandiloquent gesture.

The far more effective and practical plan for a community as economically poor as we are, is to loan every possible cent to the Government through war savings certificates, and help swell the total funds which the Government needs to win the war, not merely to provide comforts for its fighting manpower.

But if it be thought that an outright donation in the country's service is more desirable, then there is a tremendous and grave need before the Canadian people today. That need is th maintenance of civilian morale in Great Britain. And that in turn is vitally affected by the measure of assistance given to the civilian population, whose matchless courage before the maddened frenzy of total war has written a new page into world history.

Current in Vancouver today is the appeal for contributions to the Queen's Canadian Fund for air-raid victims, and the Lord Mayor of London's Fund. Canadians of every race, status and belief will approve most gratefully contributions made to these funds, both of which appeal on a plane higher even than loyalty or patriotism, for they ask in the name of suffering humanity.

It is to be hoped that in future a more realistic appraisal of existing needs and methods of service will be made before any action is taken.

The New Situation

THE continuing gravity of the war situation in Europe has had at least one very desirable result in Canada. It has provided a strong impetus to the people to subject our war effort to a more searching and critical examination than ever before.

On the whole after eighteen months of war, the more glaring errors in the organization of this country's wholly unprecedented war program have been eliminated. The emphasis now must be on the elimination of a multiplicity of lesser evils, the totality of which looms indubitably large. And the new situation has shown that we need a plastic policy which can be changed rapidly and without undue strain to meet emergency needs and crises.

One of these mistakes we believe to be the refusal of the Government on very dubious grounds, to accept the voluntary services of Canadian-born Japanese offered in British Columbia. This is one decision deserving serious reconsideration today.

The need for man power in the armed services continues to grow, but Mr. King has indicated that the country will depend upon voluntary recruiting to fill that need. In that event it would seem neither reasonable nor expedient to shut off from the very start a reservoir of manpower, which, though limited as it may be, is nevertheless far from negligible either in size or capabilities.

To Our Subscribers

Dear Subscribers:

The toughest proposition that any weekly newspaper faces is that of collecting the small accounts from its subscribers scattered all over the countryside. And this Nisei newspaper is no exception to that general rule.

Notices this week and next are being sent out to all out-of-town subscribers, whose subscriptions are not paid up to date. If you receive such a notice, we hope you will look after it as soon as you can. If you have paid up your subscription before receiving a notice, please disregard it.

Once again we'd like to remind you, though, that it is our aim to publish an independent Nisei paper, devoted to the best interests of the second generation. We hope you've found The New Canadian interesting, informative, useful and thought-provoking, and that you will continue to give it every support. Without that, without your active interest, this newspaper cannot continue to work in the Nisei service.

Sincerely,

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AMERICANA

By Staff Writer

● This Boy-Girl Ration . . .

When the Canadian Nisei were excluded from compulsory military training, a protest was raised in no uncertain terms, and we think that many romantically-inclined girls took it to heart even more than the boys. But in one way, maybe it was just as well.

Down in sunny, southern California, for instance, the drain on Nisei manpower has been serious enough to precipitate something of a domestic shortage, and the girls in Los Angeles' Lil' Tokyo are beginning to feel the pinch. They're bemoaning the lack of dates, due to the young men serving in the army . . . and the "keep-the-home-fires-burning" boys are not sure whether their moans are only a good plug for the boys in khaki or an indirect dig at themselves as well.

At any rate, it just goes to show why sailors have them in every port, and why we sing, "there's something about a soldier, ta-ra-ra . . . ."

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● Here a Spy, There a . . .

These days there's nothing so popular as hunting for spies, and last week in Washington, an agent of the Dies' Committee on un-American activities raised many an eyebrow with the sensational story of a Japanese book he has discovered, which had all the inside dope on the American navy. Shades of Kenji Doihara!

Army intelligence officers went to work, and when the smoke had cleared the startling book was disclosed to be the popular "Umi to Sora," which retails in Japanese book stores for 25c. All the information in it is also contained in "Jane's Fighting Ships" the standard reference book, the editor of which you may remember, recently qualified for the "dirtiest-dig-of-the-year-crown" with the terse quip that the U. S. has decided to fight the war to the "last Englishman".

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● March of Time . . .

With a new Soviet-Japanese pact signed, most of us have long since forgotten the Communist-inspired boycott campaign, which three years ago was driving many a local Japanese merchant to the wall.

But the death of Albert Bender, San Francisco art patron, last week, brought those days back again. The executor of his estate found a large number of packages, carefully wrapped, which had never been opened. Upon examining them, and the accompanying sales slips, revealed that the dead man had apparently bought a good number of art objects for $15, $20 and $25 from Japanese dealers, for no other reason than a wish to help them. Long a friend of Bay City Japanese, he didn't approve of boycotting anyone, regardless of what their countrymen had done, and though he didn't say much, he did what he could to counteract the effects of the boycott campaign.

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● Women Speak Out . . .

We've always been impressed by the way that American girls speak out and express their opinions, in contrast with the usually meek and mild manner of the local products. So we found this letter addressed to the editor of a Los Angeles Nisei journal mighty interesting. Said this Nisei Miss in part:

"You claim that Nisei boys are better dancers than girls, but I disagree. For one thing, most of the boys nowadays hold us girls too tightly. We want to be breathless, but not in a literal sense. Tell the boys to let up a bit in their manly grips . . . ."

We pass on this bit of advice although we have an idea the particular complaint doesn't apply locally, but not being a girl, we really wouldn't know.

"Out Of The Night"

Out of the Night, by Jan Valtin, Alliance Book Corporation, New York, 1941.

"Out of the Night" by Jan Valtin, is a stark and terrible revelation of the inside story of both Communism and Nazi-ism. Every intelligent person should read it and realize that an ideology that should have been decent has lost its way in a jungle of intolerance; that the ministers of Nazi-ism are perverted monsters nourishing the basest brutalities to devour a decent people.

The Communistic credo that there must be a bloody revolution before the building of Utopia is supported by a Jesuitical belief that the end justifies the means. As for Nazi-ism, there is no aim in its doctrines except the megalomania of one man for unlimited power by planned cunning and brute force. All this is painted with cryptic words and bare phrases by Jan Valtin.

Is the book factual, one might ask? What gain could come to the author by telling falsehoods already distributed by propaganda? Yet he has everything to lose in making such a revelation if it is a true one. Valtin is hunted by the OGPU and the Gestapo. Once a fanatic for the Communistic creed, he has lost his belief in it because of its inhuman military discipline that crushed every human trait, nullifies every humane impulse, because of the corruption among its leaders.

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War Hysteria

A YOUNG lady dropped in to tell us something ought to be done to stop efforts of Alderman Wilson building up race hatred in British Columbia. She said if the Alderman realized the terrible suffering it may cause among the younger generation of the foreign-born, he would desist.

With the natural curiosity of newspaper people, we wanted to know what had prompted the visit, and why she, a native-born Canadian, should work so hard to stop what she called an injustice.

And this is her story: Her name is German sounding, yet she was born in the Canadian west, and has a Scottish mother and a father of United States stock of many generations.

When the last war broke out she was very young and attended school in Edmonton. Her teacher was English and intensely patriotic in her own peculiar way. One day as a special treat, the children were given pins made from Nelson's famous ship, Victory. That is, everyone received a pin except the little girl with the German sounding name.

At that time the child's father—already an American citizen—was serving in France with the Canadian Army and the mother was valiantly struggling to bring up a family on a soldier's allowance.

The sting of that humiliation still rankles in the mind of our caller.

Sometimes we hear visitors exhorting us against complacency in our way of life, and perhaps we deserve what they say, but at the same time let us praise the saints that we haven't the mass hysteria of the last war that made innocent children the sufferers.

—J. N. S., in the Vernon News.

Femme fare ...

CINDERELLA vs. CONSCIENCE

THE robins in the lilac bush woke me to a most beautiful day, and also to the bitter fact that a column or two have to be written for deadline's near. The people in London must feel like this just before a blitzkrieg . . . this awful feeling just before the dawn . . . with nothing but a blank mind before one and the fatal hour. Perhaps I should attempt a historical play. Nuts! The only line with any emotional impact would go like this: "An idea, an idea, my kingdom for an idea!" (Incidentally, my "kingdom" consists of exactly 3 car tickets, a receipt for rent paid to date, and a dilapitated typewriter.) *SUNDAY*

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I didn't get my columns written. O, I had very good reasons why I didn't. Have you ever seen Victoria in the springtime? The shoreline for miles around Shoal Bay white with blowing spray, with the smell of the salt creeping up the green bluffs, tingling one's blood, while the unowned lots are purple-blue with flowering camassia, which, when the breeze ripples through them, is no longer just a field but a living thing shot with smokey blue and green and silver. What did you say? I'm rhapsodizing about Victoria again? The trouble with you, conscience, is that you take life too seriously. You don't appreciate nature. *MONDAY*

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I didn't get my columns written. O, I had very good reasons why I didn't. I studied life today in all its nakedness, in its old age, in its very practicalness.

I was a chick obstetrician for the day. I had always thought that baby chicks just cracked through hard shell out of eternity into this big world after so many weeks of incubation. Today I discovered otherwise. *TUESDAY* Baby chicks do not peck daintily at hard white shells. The shells are soft. Illusion one went west. New born chicks are not soft and downy, but more like two-legged, drowned rats. Illusion two gone west! And I found that kindness is not always rewarded nor appreciated. Told to lift the mother hen by somewhere near the nether regions in one hand and with the other hand to clear away the slowly hardening shells lest they injure the new-born things, I got pecked for my pains. Illusion three went west! Nature is not always beautiful! Illusion four went west!

To grow old gracefully, this too, I saw. Her years of heavy work are done. Her young brood has grown to something of manhood and womanhood, grown alien to the ties that bind her to the place, and if, with her friends long since gone, her hands emptied of their long-accustomed cares, she felt at times a hunger and a loneliness, we would have had no inkling, save for one chance phrase which fell unguarded from her lips. "There is a deep satisfaction in watching things grow from day to day."

What did you say? O, my columns! But goodness, chickens and old age and practicalness are important. I have to grow up sometime!

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No, I didn't get my column written today. It's only 1 p.m. and there's air mail service at 3:20 p.m. O, I have very good reasons why I didn't. I had a most satisfying dinner, and one shouldn't exert oneself too much after a big dinner. The glands, you know.

There's one dish that will never disappoint me, even though it masquerades under various pseudonyms. At the lunch-counter it's just plain "Hamburger", at *WEDNESDAY* self-service place like the Chantecleer it's "Minced Round Steak", and at the Troc or the Melrose it's "Salisbury or Victory Steak." Shakespeare said "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet". He had something there! Oh, the onions!

O.K. I'll do my columns right away. There's plenty of time!

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I rushed the write-ups all the way to the post office. Was I late? No! I got there in plenty of time. It was 3:17 p.m. The robins woke me up, and is *THURSDAY* it a beautiful day! Ho-hum, never felt so good in my life! No write-ups, no deadlines! It's a wonderful world, tra la la, tra la la! This is the way to feel. Yes siree, I'm going to be the master of my fate, the captain of my soul! Yes sir, I'm going to start next week's column tonight. How do you like that, conscience?

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No, I haven't got my column started yet. O yes, I've pretty good reasons for not having them written. You see, it was like this what? That's enough out *FRIDAY* of you. You're not the editor! Who's writing this column anyway? I can't write when I'm angered.

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No, I haven't got my column written yet, but give me time. The deadline isn't around yet. What? I should be a little more conscientious? Yes, I guess *SATURDAY* you're right. It's not such a nice feeling when they tell you that they look forward to "Femme Fare" and it's worse still when they say it er . . . smelleth. Wonder how Jack Scott does it? Oh, for seven inches of stuff so rich in human interest, so true in its sincerity, so humourous yet so tender that old folks will smile and say "That too was my experience"; youngster will say, "She's got something there", and the men who ignore this column week by week will be forced to say, "Maybe she's a girl, but she's readable". When am I going to write it? Well, not tonight, 'cause I'm all in.

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Alien

Where a man's roots grow deep, there
should he tarry.
It is not good to wrest him from the
loam
That holds the rich resources of his spirit—
The place his soul calls home.

A man disturbed, he will go sick with
longing.
There is no comfort, though he jour-
ney far,
Save in the spot beloved and familiar,
Beneath one punctual star.

[illegible] the happiness the world will give
him,
Few there be to mark it when he goes,
[illegible] a stranger in a world of strangers,
Under the alien snows.

—[illegible] LYNE TUNSTALL in "Poetry."

water 'neath the bridge

By T.M.K.

THERE is a weather-beaten gardener who said to me:

"It's a good thing we do not know exactly when we die, don't you think"?

He ruminated over a cup of hot green tea, his work-racked fingers looking grotesque beside the dainty tea-bowl. Generations of garden-lovers had finally ended in this immigrant toiler of the earth. His father and grandfather before him had tended their pots of plants and dwarfed evergreens with fastidious artistry, but this man beside me grubbed in the earth around flowers and shrubs beautiful and fragrant, for other people.

Now he sat there in his soiled overalls, too tired to change before his dinner, sipping tea contentedly.

"I enjoy life," he continued, with satisfaction warming his voice, "even though my purse is never full."

I envied him his serene acceptance of death today, tomorrow, anytime.

How limited our life would be if we knew to the very hour the end in store for every one of us. How clouded would be the days from the pure enjoyment of living. All the years are before us, and if they are long or short, what matters that if our present allowance of time is well-spent?

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THE sprinkler is tinkling its musical note in the backyard, the sun is high in the heavens, and the smell of the warm fruitful soil brings back a memory long hidden under the passing years.

It is a tiny village facing the sea. As I remember it there were scarcely any men other than young boys and very old men. It did not occur to my childish mind that there was a war somewhere, or that it was connected in any way with the absence of fathers and uncles among my friends. A freckled blue-eyed Scot of seven summers was a great pal of mine. One day we raided his cousin's apple orchard, and leisurely turned homeward, clutching our spoils. (Time meant nothing to us then). His aunt met us on the return path. Will I ever forget the words that followed?

"Moran dear, next time come by yourself."

". . . but Auntie, why can't I bring ——— with me"?

My small heart had contracted with an unexplainable dread, and I had shrunk from her unfriendly eyes. The whole glorious day had been ruined, and there we were, two innocents learning our first lesson in race inequality. As if to apologize for an adult's narrowness, Moran and I became inseparable thereafter.

All the Morans of our childhood, do they remember their black-haired playmates?

Street Singer

(Tokyo)

The old woman kneels
With her mated face white-turbaned
Under the twisted tree.
Her thin brown fingers straggle
Over the strings of her samisen,
And her voice strays out
Like a little lost sound,
Shadowy and dim as the twilight.

M. M. M.

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Dr. M. Miyazaki	193 East Hastings Street	PA 8511
Nabata Transfer	222 Gore Avenue	MA 8702
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APRIL

26 W.M.S. Bazaar, United Church, 12 to 9 p.m.

26—Tusis Swimming Party, Crystal Pool, 10.30 to 11.30 p.m.

27—Powell United Y.P.S. Meeting, United Church, 7.30 p.m.

29—Nisei Players, Carleton Clay's Studio, 8.15 p.m.

MAY

1 Nisei Players' Dramatic Presentation, Carleton Clay's Studio, 8.15 p.m. Tickets, 25c.

3—Nisei Christian Fellowship, Maple Ridge Baptist Church, Haney, 8.00 p.m.

3—Scribblers' Circle, Home of Mrs. E. Kitagawa, 2751 E. Pender St., 8.00 p.m.

8 Red Cross Work Night, Tairiku Hall.

13—Red Cross Buffet Supper, Home of Mrs. E. Kitagawa, 2751 E. Pender St., 5-8 p.m., 25c.

23—Fuji Ski Hop, White Rose Ballroom, Royal Ambassadors. Dancing from 9.00 p.m. to 1.00 a.m. Tickets, $1.00 a couple.

Fairview Service

"The Conflict Within Us" is the topic for the sermon to be given by Takashi Komiyama, at the Young People's Service to be held this coming Sunday, April 27, at 11 a.m., at the Fairview United Church.

Mr. Komiyama's sermon will be based on a study of Paul's words in his epistle to the Romans,—"I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me."

All young people are cordially invited to attend.

Victoria Keirokai Honours Pioneers

VICTORIA.—Through the efforts of the Victoria Japanese Association, the sum of $108.50 was collected from the Japanese communtiy and handed over to the Victoria Office of the Canadian War Services Fund.

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The Keirokai, sponsored by the local J.C.C.L. chapter, held on Saturday, April 19 at the Gogakko Hall, will long be remembered, as much fun and merriment was had by all who attended. Invitations to the colorful affair, the first of its kind ever held in Victoria, were sent to every Issei in the community.

Games of "Beano" and "Bingo" and the fishing and dressmaking contests were the source of much laughter, as were the prizes presented to the winners of the different contests.

Chairman for the evening was Frank Otake, who also gave the welcome speech, while responding for the guests were Mr. M. Kawasoe and Mr. N. Watanabe.

Presentations were made to: Mrs. T. Henmi, Mrs. Y. Hasegawa, Mrs. Y. Kaneda and Messrs. S. Ioi, M. Kawasoe, T. Kuwata, K. Morishita, J. Nagai, T. Noda, S. Okamoto and N. Watanabe.

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Town Topics . . .

● **Red Cross Work Night**

Attention, Red Cross Workers! The Red Cross Work Night, scheduled for May 1st, has been postponed a week, and members will meet on Thursday evening, May 8, at the workroom at the Tairiku Hall.

● **Nisei Christian Fellowship**

May 3 is the date and the Maple Ridge Baptist Church in Haney the locale for the final meeting until the fall of the Nisei Christian Fellowship. The meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m., and fuller details will be announced later. But remember the date, Saturday, May 3, at 8 o'clock.

● **Come Buy Our Wares!**

Tantalizing Japanese dishes and homecooking for connoisseurs of food, games of chance for thrill seekers, flowers for nature lovers! These will be some of the attractions at the Powell United W.M.S. Bazaar in the Night School Room on Saturday, Aril 26, from noon to 9:00 p.m.

There are wares for every taste. Spend your shekels at the bazaar. Every penny spent goes to Social Service work in the Community!

● **Scribblers' Circle**

Embryo wrtiers will meet for their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. E. Kitagawa, 2751 E. Pender Street, on May 3, commencing at 8:15 p.m. All members are requested to be on time.

● **Y.P.S. Meeting**

The West Point Grey Young People's Society will be the guests of the Powell United Y.P.S. on Sunday, April 27, at the Powell United Church.

● **Betrothal**

Rev. and Mrs. William Deans, 275 E. 23rd Avenue, announce the engagement of Kazuko Frances, eldest daughter of Mrs. S. Fukushima, of Kumamoto-ken, Japan, to Mr. Tadaki Ted Sakamoto, of this city.

Wedding vows will be exchanged at the Powell United Church on May 6, at 8:00 p.m., with Rev. William Deans officiating, assisted by Rev. K. Shimizu.

● **Nisei Players**

Tuesday evening, April 29, will be zero hour for the Nisei thespians—the last opportunity for final touches and brushing up of lines before curtain time. All members are requested to be on time at the studio on Granville Street for final dress rehearsals.

● **Matrons' Club**

Nisei mothers met for their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Maikawa, 2267 Napier Street, on Thursday, April 24, at 2:30 p.m.

● **Fuji Ski Club Dance**

With the Spring Frolic a thing of the past, every up and coming Nisei and Niseiette are looking forward to the biggest social event of the coming month—the Annual Fuji Ski Club Dance, to be held May 23, with the Royal Ambassadors, Bus Hodson's 8-piece orchestra, supplying their ever-popular style of sweet and swing.

● **At Home . . .**

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Ouchi were at home to a large number of friends on Tuesday and Wednesday evening at their apartment at Arden Hall. They are entertaining again Friday evening.

Eyestrain May Be A Nervous Strain

Eyestrain is a very subtle thing, it may or may not evidence itself in such obvious things as fatigue or headaches. It may, on the other hand, result in general nerve exhaustion, or any of several associated conditions. When your eyes call on your nervous system for more vital force than is usually needed, that force must be taken from some other organ in the body. There is no attempt here to hurry you to some Optometrist to have your eyes examined — but such a move on your part may be the better part of wisdom. The pace at which we live and the fifteen or sixteen hours of eye-work every day, makes extra precaution worthwhile. One thing sure—if your Optometrist finds your eyes are normal and need no correcting lenses, he will tell you so. W. B. Pitman, optometrist, Pitman's Optical House, 605 West Hastings St., Vancouver.

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Three Girls and ... GOLF !),,?(!

THERE'S Edgar Alan Poe's famous "Gold Bug", the bitsy little bed bugs and the vast increasing army of golf bugs. Now, in my length of days I have learned to be fairly tolerant. I tolerate the "Gold Bug" because it is supposed to be one of the revered classics which one must read to be in the "know", and the bed bugs because they are one of those little creatures that God created for who's good, only He knows. Or maybe I have to tolerate them because for their size they happen to be a bit smarter than I. In time I guess I'll learn to tolerate the golf bugs too.

But the increasing army of golf bugs! One is never sure when they will creep up on you to ruffle your temper with pars and birdies and bogies and what have you. Now, if they possessed some distinctive marks characteristic of the species, it would be of some help, but these insects, unlike other classes of insects, possess no distinguishing characteristics. They are found in all sizes, shapes and colours, and perhaps the only way to find a golf bug is to inspect the furniture in the environment, and where there's more than a reasonable number of nicks in any table, chair, wall, you can be assured of golf bugs in the vicinity.

AS in the case of most insects, the female of the species is more deadly than the male. I speak from experience. As a result of a chance encounter with three such bugs one fine Sunday afternoon, I have been in a state of nervous exhaustion—wondering if they or I belong on the inner side of a padded cell.

Their approach is innocent enough. "What are you doing this afternoon"? they'll query, and if you should answer with "Nothing special", they entice you with, "How about coming around with us. It'll do you loads of good—get rid of that office pallor, etc." And if you're a trusting soul like myself, you go . . .

For convenience, let's call them No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3. Now, I don't profess to be an authority on golf, but even an ignoramus knows that one hits a golf ball with a stick into a hole. Well, No. 1, being the most seasoned player started off. From all appearances all she did was swing the golf stick so many times, each time missing the ball. "Aren't you supposed to wack it"? I interrupted, to be helpful. I think she gave me a dirty look. Then she said, "You know, I did so much gardening, my muscles are stiff. And I'm out of practice, this being the second time on the green this year." I'm still trying to find the connection between gardening and failing to wack the ball. After much effort, the little ball went sailing down the fairway, to God knows where. No. 2 and No. 3 followed, faring a little better and a little worse, respectively. No. 2 said, "This is the first time this year". No. 3 withheld comment.

Then began the mad hunt for balls. "Is that my ball over there"? "No, I think this one's mine". "Have you seen my ball"? After climbing down gulleys and rummaging in bushes and burrowing in sandtraps the three bugs found their balls. By this time I was ready for a nice quiet rest and a bottle of coca Cola. But any suggestion to this effect was distinctly ignored.

After what seemed a good half hour, it suddenly dawned on me that they were headed toward Hole 1. If they had only asked me I could have told them that the shortest distance between two given points is a straight line, but believe me, these insects are more than independent.

Then began the self-same theme. "You know, I did so much gardening, my muscles are stiff. And I'm out of practice, this being but the second time on the green this year". Quoth No. 2, "O well, this is the first time this year". No. 3 modestly withheld comment, but I noticed she was far more energetic than the other two, taking twice as many strokes and going twice as many times in distance per stroke.

THIS teeing off, running all over the course, comparing strokes, which were invariably a good deal over par, continued for 9 holes. Perhaps the most memorable twenty minutes I spent that Sunday afternoon were the twenty minutes when we sat down and imbibed a coke. Tasted like sparkling champagne or wine with "beaded bubbles winking at the brim."

"Shall we call it a day"? I ventured meekly. You notice that the query was in the form of an indirect suggestion and not a direct order. No. 1 and No. 2 were in no shape, really, to continue, but, they, with the light of battle still in their eyes, pounced on me with "Come on, only 9 more holes". Merciful Jupiter, I nearly did a fade-out, except that someone's ball came whizzing past my ear.

So, nine holes more it was. They teed off beautifully, and in the distance I thought I saw the 10th hole waving its red hanky at us. Away they went in opposite directions, with the red flag getting farther and farther away. "Say", I said, "is that the 10th hole"? pointing my finger toward a flag to which I saw No. 1's ball going. No. 1 glared at me, then said, "No, that one"! nodding in the opposite direction. "Well," I piped out, "Why in heaven's name are you going that way for"? Her reply was something to the effect that she was playing the game, and my job was merely to replace the bits of turf that she dug up. I did quite a lot of replacing that afternoon.

By the time the last holes were played, the three golf bugs were losing that light of battle. With the sun setting in the west, they crawled home.

The scores were magnificent, I was told, for the times they had played this year. Quoth No. 1, "I did so much gardening, my muscles are stiff. And I'm out of practice, this being the second time on the green this year". Quoth No. 2, "O well, this is the first time for me this year". No. 3 withheld comment, although I still consider her the most energetic player of the three.

"Say, what do you score when you haven't been gardening"? I asked No. 1. She mumbled something about the magnificent sunset.

Personally, I'd rather go fishing or swimming, or for a nice quiet walk through the park, where there aren't any golf-bugs.

Japanese Cherry Blossoms in Bloom

With cheerful disregard of wars and rumours of war, the famous Japanese cherry blossoms again burst in all their glory, gracing the countryside of picturesque Nippon. The photo here shows an unusual picture of peerless Mt. Fuji framed by the lovely "sakura".

Distinguished List Of Guests at JSC Grad Banquet

University President Dr. L. S. Klinck and faculty heads and their wives, will be guests of honour when the University Students Club honour graduating members at their tenth annual banquet, April 30, at 6:30 p.m., in the dining room of Brock Hall on the campus.

Invited to attend are Dean and Mrs. D. Buchanan, Dean and Mrs. J. N. Finlayson, Dean and Mrs. F. M. Clement, and Professor and Mrs. E. Morrow.

Japanese Consul, Ichiro Kawasaki, and Professor H. F. Angus, honorary president of the J.S.C., have also been asked to attend.

One of the largest graduating classes in history. Faculties of the University will also be guests, along with mothers and fathers.

Tickets at 60c are still available from executives, or at the office of The New Canadian, and reservations should be sent in immediately to George Yamashita, PAcific 6588.

To reach Brock Hall take either a number 15 or 10 westbound car to Tenth Avenue and Sasamat, and then the University Bus (fare 5c) to the campus. Brock Hall, between the stadium and gymnasium, is in a northeasterly direction from the bus terminal.

Drama Club Gives Third Production

"The Rescue", an intensely gripping psychological drama and "Gas, Air and Earl", a clever comedy, will headline the Nisei Players' third appearance before the public on May 1, at Carleton Clay's Studio, commencing 8:15 p.m.

"The Rescue," perhaps the first play of its kind to be attempted by these players, who, in the past have leaned more to the lighter type of dramatic entertainment, deals with the psychological reactions of three people toward an inherited mental illness.

Koto Yatabe, as "Anna", the heroine, portrays a most difficult role, ably supported by Ina Kayahara, as the aunt, and Hattie Kunitomo, as the faithful servant.

In happy contrast to this tense drama is "Gas, Air and Earl", a one-act play whose comic situations arise from the antics of an overly ambitious mother and a doubly elusive, eligible bachelor. The acting honours are shared by Amy Okukawa as the scheming, ambitious mother; Chiyo Hyodo, as the tender-hearted daughter; Mary Saegusa as the flippant vamp; Roy Morita as the elusive eligible, and Kasey Oyama as the lawyer.

Appearing as guest actors with the Nisei Players will be the Junior Players, who will present as their contribution to the evening's programme, a comedy entitled "Another Beginning", a charming comedy of young love, in the same vein as Thornton Wilder's "Our Town".

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Oolichan Fishing Poor

The run of oolichans (ooligan), a species of small fish averaging 6 to 7 ins. in length, is reported as very slow this year. Prices, too, are quite low, and the sale of the fish is not as good as in former years.

Catches which in former years have sometimes reached a half ton or more, have only amounted to a few hundred this season.

Although many Occidental fishermen are operating for oolichans, there is only one Japanese at present in possession of a licence to fish for this species.

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On the evening of April 19, this usually quiet piece of countryside hummed with activity as many Nisei couples gathered from all surrounding points to swing and sway to the rhythmic music of Hayami Radio Service's P. A. system.

Sponsors of the successful social, the second of its kind held here, the Riverside J.C.C.L. baseball club extends its sincerest thanks to each and every one of you who helped to make the event a success.

They also wish to add an apology for having to charge a small additional levy for the refreshments, but hope that everyone got their money's worth.

First prize in the raffle, a table lamp, went to Mrs. K. Suzuki, of Kennedy. Other winners were:

2) pen and pencil, H. Mukai, Steveston; 3) iron, C. Trim, Ladner; 4) toaster, R. Koizumi; 6) card table, S. Kamachi, E. Richmond; 6) clock, J. Takahashi, E. Richmond; 7) J. Trim, Ladner; 8) M. Mikado, Mayo; 9) Y. Hirakawa, Steveston; 10) June Ota, Vancouver.

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Dis-n-Data . . . . From the looks on the faces of every couple at the dance, this correspondent is of the opinion they couldn't have enjoyed themselves more . . . . A bouquet to Mr. Hayami of Hayami Radio Service in Vancouver, who played the recordings of many well-known orchestras. It was the first time that a P.A. system has been used here, with no electric current available. Five 6-volt storage batteries did the trick . . . . True spirit of the Niseis—Our own Mr. President and His wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. Onotera, waltzing about, and lending a hand to the master of ceremonies to pep-up the crowd— . . . —Why does T. T. from Sunbury, who claims he doesn't like dancing, always put in an appearance . . . . The St—niettes in blue drew everyone's attention . . . orchids to Miss M. L. and P. O. for their fancing dipsy doodling . . .

Prince Rupert Patter

Rambling in Rupert

Easter was the topic of discussion held on Easter Sunday by the members of the Nippon A.Y.P.A. Setsu Kuwahara led the discussion.

After a short illness in the local hospital, Shoji Shimizu has now returned to his home where he is speedily recovering his usual good health.

Congratulations to Mr. Genichi Kondo, formerly of this city, upon the news of his engagement. This correspondent joins with the many young people in wishing him the very best.

SPORT WORLD . . . . The Yamanaka sisters, Emily and Michi, accompanied the Prince Rupert High School team, Do-Mo-Hi, on its trip to Ocean Falls, where they played basketball against the Paper Town team.

Surrey Y.M.A. Holds Record Roller-Fest

By Staff Correspondent

The Surrey Young Men's Association boasts a very successful roller wind-up. A record smashing crowd gaily flocked to the Milner Roller Bowl to enjoy one evening of sweet melodies on humming wheels under lowered lights.

The highlights of the evening were the "Elimination" and "Spot Skating" for which prizes were awarded to jubilant winners.

Two boys from Mission went home all smiles, each caressing a box of chocolates—holders of lucky tickets.

About 11:30 p.m. the skaters reluctantly put away the skates and a delicious tea was served by the girls, and with talented singers entertaining at the tea table the evening was brought to an enjoyable close.

The S.Y.M.A. wishes to extend their cordial thanks to the girls for their kind assistance and to Mr. T. Yamasaki for his kind donations for the prizes.

The Association also wishes to thank their many friends from far and near for their strong support, and we hope sincerely to see you all again when we re-open the skating season.

YMCA Gym Display

Spectacular feats of hand balancing will be a special feature of the annual gym display, presented by the Y.M.C.A. this year in the new gym on May 1 and 2. Some 50 members will go through their paces under the supervision of the noted instructor, Per Thorson.

The display begins at 8 p.m. and admission is 25c per person.

Company Manager Hurls First Ball As Mayo Edges Coombs In Thriller

By K. Y.

PALDI.—The curtain for the 1941 Mid-Island Japanese Baseball League was officially lifted, when Mr. Mayo Singh, manager of the Mayo Brothers Timber Co., threw the first ball with Mr. M. H. Terakita, of Coombs, batting.

The big crowd present witnessed one of the most thrilling games ever played here, as a fighting Mayo nine came from behind to nose out the hard-working Coombs squad, 10-9.

Y. Kaga, ace twirler, started on the mound for Coombs, handcuffing the Mayo sluggers until the lucky 7th, when the locals banged him hard to score 6 runs on 4 hits and 2 errors.

K. Ito replaced him, but the damage was done.

Mayo's ace southpaw, "Mus" Toyota, stopped the visitors' last stand in the 9th, by retiring the side via the double play route.

K. Yoshida had a big day at bat with 3 for 3, while K. Yonemura hit 2 for 4 for Mayo, and K. Kawaguchi, 2 for 5 for Coombs.

After the game tea was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Toyota for the players. A solo rendered by Miss Grace Terakita was wildly applauded.

Coombs: Hiromi, ss, 1-4; T. Kaga, 2b, 1-4; N. Kawaguchi, 1b, 0-5; Y. Terakita, rf, 2-5; Obara, 3b, 0-5; Uchida M, 1-4; Mul Terakita, lf, 2-4; D. Uchida, cf, 0-5; K. Kawaguchi, c, 2-5; Y. Kaga, p, 1-3; Ito, p, 1-1. —10 hits, 9 runs.

Mayo: Yoshida, 1b, 3-3; Nishimura, ss, 1-3; Ogura, 3b, 1-4; Akiyama, 2b, 1-3; Miles, p, rf, 1-5; K. Toyota, c, 0-5; Yoshino, lf, p, 1-3; Yonemura, cf, 2-4; Toyota, lf, p, 1-4.—11 hits, 10 runs.

Capital City Chatter

By Toni Gossippe

Honeymoon City

The Capital City continues to be the favourite rendezvous for honeymooning couples from the big city. Visitors here recently have been newly-weds Mr. and Mrs. Muneo Miike, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shibuya, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ouchi.

Vagaries

Enjoyed the best laugh in many a moon—when a certain contestant fished an old boot out of the "pool" the other night . . . . Notice that there's another fisherman (???) intent on taking the "work" out of fishing. Please permit us to pass on to you, TA, a hint that we've heard so often—it's much easier to row a boat just by itself than to row one with an outboard hanging over the stern! . . . . Look for the girl in blue, fellas, Bill's in town again . . . . A young man goes and spends a long week-end over in Vancouver—A couple weeks later his mother goes over,—wonder if there's anything worth looking into.

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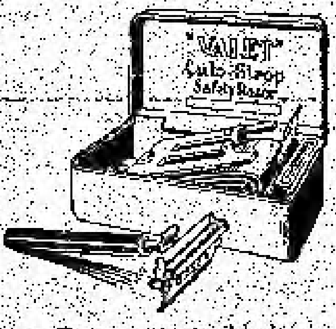

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Chemainus Chimes

Nisei, Issei, Hold Joint Discussion

By Staff Correspondent

CHEMAINUS.—The first of its kind in the history of the Japanese community in Chemainus, a get-together of the Nisels and Isseis was held on April 20. Sponsored by the local chapter of the J.C.C.L., the affair was held in conjunction with the chapter's regular meeting.

The regular meeting was formally brought to order with a short address by Shige Yoshida, the president. Vice-president M. Sakata took the chairmanship for the whole evening.

Noboru Tsutsui was elected to the new office of 2nd vice-president.

The round table discussion between the Niseis and Isseis dealt mainly with political and social problems, which turned out to be very educational to all those who took part.

Visitors at this meeting included several members of the newly formed Paldi Chapter.

This correspondent wishes to take this opportunity to wish the Paldi Chapter of the J. C. C. L. every success in their future undertakings.

Chemainus Nippons big guns boomed out as they soundly shellacked the Hillcrest Giants by a score of 11-2 as the Mid-Island Japanese Baseball League got off to a flying start on April 20, at Duncan Athletic Park.

On April 27, the Nippons will be hosts to the Paldi Athletics.

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Englewood Edgings

O. Kunihiro

Englewood's softball set-up is getting into the groove again after a slow start, but only two teams, the Angles and Aces are playing this year in the house league.

Captain Sam Kai and Vice-Captain Jimmy Maeda will lead the Angles against George Sameshima's and Shig Kawaskai's Aces in a 12-game schedule. If dry weather continues, further games will be played.

The All-Star team, picked from the house league, played its first game against the Occidental team on April 17, but lost the encounter. With most of last year's line-up no longer playing, the team this year faces a tough schedule, but we intend to give them all we've got. Chins up and cheerio is the motto!

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W'fibre Diamonders Boast Strong League

By THE WHISTLER

WOODFIBRE — Woodfibre's three-team Japanese Baseball Loop will unwind on the diaseason this Sunday, April 27, mond for the first game of the when captain Joe Koyanagi leads last year's champion Engles against a combined team of Machine Room and Bull Gang workers.

Although the Eagles have lost several of their players, they have been reinforced by ex-Union Fish boys, Nobu Kamitomo and Chum Inouye. Also new in the line-up will be Kiide Shimizu and George Ogaki.

Machine Room and Bull Gangers will rely a good deal on their star players, "Rosie" Ogaki, "Rusty" Indenouye, Tets Uno, and their newly acquired slugger, Shige Okumura.

Cardinals, third team in the loop, has their last year's line-up intact, and will be sparked by Joe and Akira Fukui.

Joe Koyanagi was again elected to head the All-Star team, which will play several games in the local community. Exhibition tilts with teams from the city are also planned.

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On Sunday, April 6, the Woodfibre Judo Club gave a party in honour of three of its members, Tommy Marubashi, Joe Koyanagi and Wataru Nishida, all of whom won Judo trophies at the recent tournament.

Riverside, Giants To Start Valley Battles

By Staff Correspondent

Baseball League Meets . . .

Toshio Nishijima of the New Westminster Taiikus, was elected president, and Tom Oikawa of "Riverside", secretary-treasurer of the Fraser Valley Baseball League, at the first meeting, April 8.

Adopted by the League were rules regarding eligibility of players, and of the "Giants" team. High batting challenge cups will be awarded.

Mr. T. Tanaka was chosen official umpire, and the league decided that the championship team should be host at the league wind-up banquet.

Schedule for games was drawn drawn up as follows:

April 27—Riverside J.C.C.L. vs. Taiiku Giants (2 p.m.).
May 4—Taiiku Jrs. vs. Riverside J.C.C.L. (2 p.m.).
May 11—Taiiku Jrs. vs. Taiiku Giants (10:30 p.m.).
May 18—Riverside J.C.C.L. vs. Taiiku Giants (2 p.m.).
May 25—Riverside J.C.C.L. vs. Taiiku Jrs. (2 p.m.).
June 1—Taiiku Jrs. vs. Taiiku Giants (10:30 p.m.).

In all cases the first-mentioned team is the home team. Semi-finals will be a knockout series, and the championship will be decided by a two-out-of-three series.

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REPLACING DIVOTS . . .

by jimmie suzuki

Playing under ideal conditions last Sunday, "Jackson" Katsukawa turned in a steady 77 to tie S. Ito for low net honours and a playoff for Vice-Consul Oka's beautiful trophy. Ito shot an 88—18 for a net 70.

The tournament was divided into three classes with prizes for each group to give the low handicappers a chance for ball prizes. Other scores were:

(A) **T. Arakawa**, 86-15—71; **T. Nimi**, 85-14—71; **K. Tanaka**, 86-15—71.

(B) **T. Oyama**, 88-16—72; **F. Miyasaki**, 91-18—73.

(C) **T. Ogino**, 96-25—71; **J. Fukui**, 97-25—72; **J. Kinoshita**, 105-33—72.

Another fine Sunday, much to the delight of golfers and would-be golfers. One prominent Nisei took time out from his own game to caddy for another Langara veteran, for the sole purpose of picking up some finer points, which would enable him to break the "Century". He was not only sadly disillusioned, but also haunted with the memory of his own usual tee off, when the "pro" hooked his tee off into the rough, dubbed his second with a spoon, dubbed again with his spoon, coming onto the green with four and three-putting for a seven. Only consolation to the caddying Nisei—he was complimented on the morrow for the hale and healthy tan he acquired toting the none-too-light golf bag for 18 holes.

Spring, with all its blessings, can also act as a drug to golf—at least this was the indication of the scores turned in by the "A" class players under weather conditions ideal for golf. Lone exception was "Jackson" Katsukawa, already bronzed to the hue of a winter resort "pro", who seems headed for another clean sweep of all the worthwhile hardware hereabouts, the Northwest included. Like to know how it's done? No short cuts, just get out every day—day in and day out. Maybe you won't ever become a par golfer, but you might get near it.

"Doc" Banno got some cracks about his new handicap—be it known to all that he had nothing to do with it.

Hompa Rally Wins In Bussei Opener

Fairview Bests Farmers as Pitchers Duel

Bussei baseball swung into its 6th year of campaigning last Sunday with Hompa and Fairview chalking up their initial wins of the year against Kitsilano and the newly-formed Hammond Farmers respectively.

Sunday morning at Powell Grounds the five-time champion Hompa Busseis overcame an 11—2 lead held by the Kitsilano Busseis to finally win 13—11 in a 9 inning tilt. Lanky Hideo Yamada doing the hurling for the Kitsies, held the strong Hompas to three hits until the sixth inning, but weakened in the seventh to allow four runs to scamper across the home plate.

Still leading 11—6, however, the second avenue boys felt confident of a win, but the downtown boys who had been handcuffed thus far suddenly let loose a barrage of hits and landed on pitcher Yamada for 5 solid bingles that pushed across 7 runs and nipped the Kitsilano lead for the first time to take a 2 run lead.

Yamada not only chucked a good game for the losers, but also connected 3 times in 5 trips to the plate. Nobby Tanaka, K. Kaminishi and Kiyoshi Misumi hit 2 for 4's.

Fairview Busseis traversed all the way to Hammond and came home satisfied with a 6—3 win tucked under their arms. In a fine display of a pitchers' duel between Frank Hoshizaki and Yo Nishimura, Fairview triumphed as they steadily bunched their hits to cross 2 runs in the second, the fourth and one each in the sixth and eighth frames, for a total of 6 runs.

Hammond staged a sparkling rally in the eighth frame that saw the Fairview lead cut down to three runs, but their rally fizzled with the city boys still hanging on grimly to the three run margin of victory.

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Handicaps Even up Bowling Race

The Nisei Mixed Five-Pin Bowling League swung into its second week of action at the Pender Alleys last night with all teams fighting on even terms as a result of the handicap system adopted by the executive committee.

Tad Kondo, of New Pier Cafe, bowled most consistently last night with a three game total of 735. He also reached the highest mark by hitting 322 in the second game. Ossie Fujiwara, of M & N, bowled a close second with a 718 total.

Among the ladies, Kay Uyeno of Powell Bakery, again led the pack with a 478 three-game total. Next followed Mrs. Kiyo Maikawa of Nippon Autos, with a 463. The highest mark attained by any girl last night was by Jean Konno of Empress Cafe, who hit 240 in one game.

The highest team total was made by New Pier Cafe, which hit 2540. Their opponents, the Continental News, playing with an 8 spot in each game, came second highest with a 2498 total.

Last night's bowling results were as follows:

Division "A"

Singers, 3—Nippon Auto, 0.
Yamato Silks, 2—Shibuya's, 1.
Fuji Chop Suey, 1 — Powell Drug, 2.
M & N, 3—Safety Garage, 0.

Division "B"

Harry's, 1—Burrard Bakery, 2.
Powell Bakery, 1 — Empress Cafe, 2.
New Pier Cafe, 2—Continental, 1.
Union, 2—Modiste, 1.

Handicaps were: Fuji (24); Shibuyas (24); Singers (47); Safety Garage (28); Continental News (8); Modiste (26); Burrard Bakery 100); Powell Bakery (64).

Sport SPOTLITE

Daily Province Bike Classic

As the days grow longer and warmer, more and more out-door sports take the young Niseis' fancy. Various means of furthering clean and healthy sports have begun and foremost among them is cycling. It is with this in mind that this writer brings to your notice the Twenty-first Annual Daily Province Bicycle Road Race, which is to be held on Wednesday, May 7. The race starts at 6:30 p.m., from Second Beach, and will cover the 7-mile course around Stanley park, ending again at Second Beach.

The race will be divided into 5 classes, so that even the youngest have an opportunity to win one of the 15 prizes.

Entries, which close 6 p.m. Monday, May 5th, may be given to Mat Matsui, who has been chosen as one of the two stewards in the Class D Division.

There will be only one class in the ladies' race and if there are any girls wishing to enter, but cannot do so because they have no bicycles of their own, don't let a little thing like that stop you. Mat Matsui has kindly offered to loan bikes free of charge and will assist you in any way possible. Just drop in on Mat Matsui at the Tammy Bicycle Shop, 112 Main Street, for more particulars.

All book holders of the Kitsilano Busser Raffle are asked to return them to Yoshio Terada by Saturday night, since the drawing takes place on Sunday.

To those who have not yet taken a chance on one of the General Electric personal Radios, you still have a chance to do so from one of the Kitsilano Busser members.

Owing to Fairview and the Intercity League using Model School Grounds, I would like to call to the attention of the Hammond Busser team that the Kitsilano Hammond tilt will be played at Powell Grounds at 11 a.m. If time is unsuitable get in touch with Yoshio Terada at 1677½ 2nd Avenue West.

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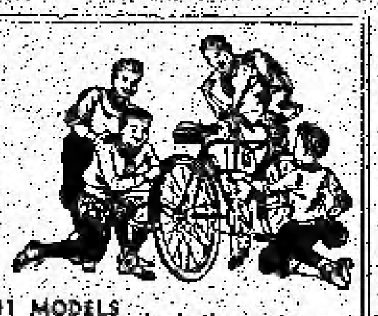

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Powell Drug Upset Union Fish In Sunday Loop

Home runs by Nobby Tanaka, George Suzuki and George Shishido spotlighted the opening game of the Japanese Baseball League last Sunday as Powell Drugs pasted Tommy Sawayama's fast balls for 16 hits to down the highly touted Union Fish nine, 10—7. George Yoshinaka on the mound for the druggists was touched for 14 bingles, including two homers, but struck out 11 batters in the pinches.

The first homer of the '41 season came in the second inning off Nobby Tanaka's hickory, which drove in two runs, giving Unions a 3—0 lead at the end of the 3rd inning. Powell Drug fought right back, however, in the following inning with a three run rally as Mitsui, Yoshinaka and Yasui bunched their hits.

It was a touch and go affair from then on. When Unions pushed across a run, Powell Drug did likewise. But with the score tied 7-all in the 7th frame, Powell Drug broke the deadlock as Mitsui scored on Chuck Terada's two-ply sock, his third hit in three times at bat.

In the final inning Tad Tanaka and George Shishido both connected for safeties. Yuki Uno, considered one of the most dangerous hitters in the league, was then given a free pass, filling the bases. Koei Mitsui, the next batter, however, came across with a sharp single that brought in two runs, shelving the game for the '40 runner ups.

Powell Drug—Shishido, ss (3-1); Onishi, 2b (1-6); Uno, 1b (2-5); Mitsui, c (2-6); Yoshinaka, p (1-6); Yasui, cf (2-5); Terada, 3b (3-3); Koyai, lf (1-5); Tanaka, rf (1-1)—16 hits.

Union Fish—Tanaka, ss (4-6); Wakabayashi, cf (1-4); Marino, c (2-5); Suzuki, 2b (2-5); Kusano, 3b (0-5); Yanagisawa, lf (2-4); Akiyama, 1b (0-5); Sawayama, p (1-5); Toyota, rf (2-4)—14 hits.

Powell Drug	003	201	112	—10
Union Fish	032	100	100	— 7

Bus Ohori And Ray Takeuchi Again To Head Fuji Ski Club

Bus Ohori and Ray Takeuchi were again elected by the members of the Fuji Club to lead the club for the season 1941-42, as President and Vice-president respectively. Both of these hard-working executives were elected to their posts by acclamation at the last general meeting held at the Nippon Club Wednesday night.

Instead of the members at large electing the various officials such as secretary, treasurer, cabin manager and their assistants, it was decided to adopt a new procedure whereby the president and the vice-president choose their own councilmen.

Fuji Ski Dance

The plankers will wind up another successful season on Friday, May 23, with a big windup dance at the White Rose Ballroom, with Bus Hodson and his Royal Ambassadors supplying the music from 9 till 1 a.m. Tickets are now on sale for the public by any member of the club at $1.00 per couple.

Fuji Ski Raffle

The 7th Annual Fuji Ski Club Raffle tickets are also on sale. This year the big prizes will be cash, namely $15.00 for the first, $10.00 second, $5.00 third and $2.00 for the fourth lucky ticket holders. From fifth to tenth, consolation prizes of either Lowney's box of chocolates or Parker's Eversharp will be raffled.

The meeting closed with the showing of the motion pictures taken by Masaru Takasaka on Grouse, Dam, Crown and at Seymour.

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Inter-City Ball Loop

Kyuhins, Fuji's Take Initial Wins

Steveston Fujis and the Westminster Taiikus played their Intercity League opener at the Royal City last Sunday with the lads from Steveston emerging 11-8 victors over Taiikus.

At Model School Grounds the defending champions, Kitsilano Kyuhins, gave the rookie-filled Mikado nine a 12-4 drubbing.

Despite the early stages of the schedule, the Steveston-Taiiku game was fast and keenly fought. A six-run rally by Steveston in the fourth frame, however, was too much for the Westminster boys to overcome, as both pitchers, Simpson and Tanaka, of respective teams, settled down to a tight pitchers' duel.

Mikados were bottled up by Kyuhin's southpaw, Frank Sumi, who struck out 13 and gave only 5 hits.

Fumbles by Takahashi in the third frame proved costly as the Kyuhins pushed across 5 runs to put the game on ice. Frank Sumi went the route for Kitsilano, but Mikado had to use three chuckers, Sugie, Fukumoto and Kondo.

George Yoshinaka, of Mikado, and S. Nagai, of Kitsilano, pushed the ball out of the lot for circuit blows. Three base hits came from pitchers Shores Kondo and Frank Sumi, of the respective teams.

There were only three extra base hits in the Taiiku-Fuji tilt. Doubles by Simpson and Mori, of Steveston, and Katakami, of the Taiikus.

Kaz Iwasa, who started off for the Taiikus, gave up his hurling duties to Tanaka in the fourth inning. Fujis collected 5 runs off Iwasa and 6 runs from Tanaka.

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